

Excerpt from 3/10/15:

15. Consideration and action authorizing the use of funds for the Mayor, City Manager, and JJ Johnston to travel to China June 16 through 24, 2015.

City Manager Jim Gray stated this is a trip for the Mayor, City Manager, and Industrial Consultant (J.J. Johnston of Econogine, LLC) to travel to both China and Taiwan to meet with potential developers. There may be other individuals from CCREDC attending along with us, but they will have their own funding. We are estimating the expenses to be approximately \$20,000.00; however, we are requesting \$25,000.00 in case the cost of plane tickets or hotel expenses increase from the current quotes by the time we have the meetings scheduled and make those reservations.

Council Member Kemp made a motion authorizing the use of General Fund Contingency funds not to exceed \$25,000.00 for the Mayor, City Manager, and JJ Johnston to travel to China and Taiwan June 16 through 24, 2015 and was seconded by Council Member Tucker. The motion was approved with Mayor Perkins and Council Members Wilson, Tucker, Kemp, and Vaden voting aye; and Council Member Robbins voting no.